

SUMMARY

Number of Birth to 3 Dietitian Questionnaire's completed: 3

Birth to 3 Dietitian Questionnaire – Birth to 3 Nutrition Screening Tool

To determine the feasibility of the Nutrition Screening tool and identify barriers in the nutrition assessment referral process, feedback from the Dietitians is critical.

Please answer the following questions:

1. The intent of the Nutrition Screening tool is to identify children at nutritional risk, for the screener to make an appropriate nutrition assessment referral if indicated, and the Dietitian to provide a nutrition assessment.

What was your experience (positive and/or negative) in this process?

- My experience was neither positive or negative as I did not receive any referrals during the period of the pilot project.
- Positive. Birth to Three Connections of Rural Dane Co. has been using a version of this screen since prior to my employment with them in February of 2002. It seems to work very well.
- Tracy Bristow has completed the screening tool for identified “problems feeders” and for newly assessed children in Birth-Three. In a small county it was a short assessment/provision of eval/services period.

2. Did you experience any barriers in the process of receiving a referral, providing a nutrition assessment to the child, communication with the child's Primary Care Provider or Birth to 3 Program, incorporating nutrition outcomes in the child's IFSP, etc.... ? YES 1 NO 1

If yes, please explain:

- Although I did not receive any referrals, I do have some suggestions. I feel it would be beneficial to have communication between Birth to 3 Program and the dietitian for both the initial assessment and in coordinating the nutrition services that may already be in place.
- One family moved without providing a new address (out of co.?), otherwise the process is working well. Contact with M.D.s and other care providers has been in the form of forwarding assessments (by service coordinator) when requested by family.
- Green County Birth-3 Program has been very supportive in inclusion of nutrition services. I am located within the building and that may be beneficial. The greatest challenge is if Birth-3 is willing to share other team assessments & pertinent medical information. This county has considered me part of the team and that is key to the success of a complete evaluation for the child and family.

3. Were all the nutrition assessment referrals you received appropriate referrals?

YES 2 NO 0

If no, please explain:

- I did not receive any referrals.

4. Please provide any additional comments or suggestions:

- I think that funding is an area of concern as to how people will pay for nutrition services.

- The process seems to be working fine. It is however impossible to know, without a chart review, who has been missed.
- Current height and weight data may be good to add to the screen as well as when and where measured.
- It may be helpful to develop some helpful guidelines for creation of contracts for nutritionists with their counties.